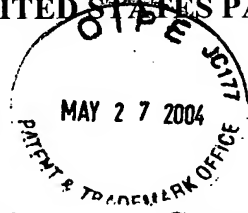


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EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

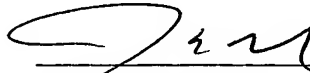
	<u>AFTER AMENDMENT</u>	<u>PREV. PAID FOR</u>	<u>EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT</u>	<u>RATE</u>	<u>FEE DUE</u>
Total Claims	22 -	28	= 0	x \$18.00	\$ -
Indep. Claims	5 -	4	= 1	x \$86.00	\$ 86.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$ 86.00

A check in the amount of \$86.00 to cover the excess claim fees is attached hereto. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully Submitted,

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 24, 2004, please amend the above-
identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-4, 7, 9-10, and 29-43 are all the claims presently pending in the application.
Claims 1-3, 7, and 10 are amended to more clearly define the invention, claims 5-6, 8, and
11-28 are canceled and claims 29-43 are added. Claims 1, 3, 7, 10, and 43 are independent.

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